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SUBJ:SOVIET PRESS SUMMARY - JULY 28

1. U.S.-SOVIET RELATIONS. PRAVDA REPORTS THAT U.S.
APOLLO ASTRONAUTS IN GOOD CONDITION IN HONOLULU HOSPITAL

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AND ARE EXPECTED TO BE RELEASED SOON. PRAVDA, ONLY CENTRAL

PRESS PAPER PUBLISHED ON MONDAYS, FOR FIRST TIME SINCE
LAUNCH CARRIES NO ITEM SPECIFICALLY ON APOLLO-SOYUZ.

2. PRESIDENTIAL TRIP. PRAVDA CARRIES TASS ITEM FROM BONN
ANNOUNCING PRESIDENT'S DISCUSSIONS WITH SCHMIDT. ITEM NOTES
THAT SUBJECTS COVERED WERE CSCE, EAST-WEST RELATIONS AND
"OTHER INTERNATIONAL QUESTIONS." REPORT STATES THAT
"SPECIAL ATTENTION" WAS GIVEN TO ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL
DIFFICULTIES OF THE WEST. TASS QUOTES THE PRESIDENT'S
STATEMENT THAT CSCE IS "A FURTHER STEP TOWARD DETENTE
BETWEEN EAST AND WEST."

3. CSCE. PRAVDA CONTINUES TO REPLAY FOREIGN COMMENTARY
(FAVORABLY ONLY) ON SIGNIFICANCE OF CSCE AND THE HELSINKI
SUMMIT. PRAVDA REPORTS TASS INTERVIEW WITH FINNISH
PARLIAMENTARY CHAIRMAN V. SUKSELAINEN (PHONETIC) ON SIGNIFI-
CANCE OF CSCE. SUKSELAINEN DRAWS A PARALLEL BETWEEN APOLLO-
SOYUZ AND HELSINKI SUMMIT AS EXAMPLES OF EAST-WEST COOPERA-
TIONS.

4. MIDDLE EAST. PRAVDA'S COMMENTARY BY POGODINA CRITICIZES
ISRAELI ACTIVITIES IN THE OCCUPIED TERRITORIES. POGODINA
SAYS THAT ISRAEL, IN VIOLATION OF THE UN CHARTER AND THE
UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS, CONTINUES TO ESTABLISH
SETTLEMENTS IN THE OCCUPIED TERRITORIES, TO EXPEL ARABS
FROM THEIR HOMES, AND TO ARREST PALESTINIAN "PATRIOTS." THESE
ACTIONS SHOW THAT TEL AVIV, DESPITE UN RESOLUTIONS AND THE
PROTESTS OF WORLD PUBLIC OPINION, CONTINUES TO ESTABLISH
ITSELF IN THE OCCUPIED LANDS. CONTINUING THIS
"ANNEXATIONIST POLICY", POGODINA CONCLUDES, OBSTRUCTS
THE ESTABLISHMENT OF PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST.

5. SOMALIA. PRAVDA SUMMONS UGANDA'S IDI AMIN TO BOLSTER
DENIALS THAT THE SOVIETS HAVE FACILITIES IN SOMALIA. A
CAIRO DATELINED TASS STORY, REPLAYING AN ARTICLE IN THE
WEEKLY ROSE AL YUSUF (PHONETIC), QUOTES AMIN AS SAYING
HE VISITED SOMALIA AND SAW "NO SIGNS OF SOVIET OR ANY
OTHER KIND OF FOREIGN MILITARY PRESENCE."

6. ANGOLA. THE WEEKLY NEW TIMES (JULY 25) CLAIMS THAT
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MEMBERS OF BRAZILIAN "DEATH SQUADS," WHICH TOOK PART IN
THE "CIA-ORGANIZED OVERTHROW" OF ALLENDE'S GOVERNMENT
IN CHILE, AS WELL AS MANY CIA OPERATIVES (GENERAL WALTERS
IS MENTIONED BY NAME) HAVE APPEARED IN ANGOLA. CITING
A FRENCH JOURNAL, NEW TIMES ASSERTS THE "ESCALATION OF
IMPERIALIST PLOTS" IS SO RAPID THAT AFFAIRS MAY "IN THE
END COME TO DIRECT AND OPEN FOREIGN INTERVENTION IN THE
INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF ANGOLA (DETAILS SEPTTEL)."

7. KOREA. A COMMENTARY IN THE MILITARY NEWSPAPER RED STAR (JULY 27) MARKS THE END OF THE ANNUAL "MONTH OF SOLIDARITY WITH THE KOREAN PEOPLE'S STRUGGLE FOR THE WITHDRAWAL OF FOREIGN FORCES FROM SOUTH KOREA AND THE REUNIFICATION OF THE COUNTRY BY PEACEFUL DEMOCRATIC MEANS." THE COMMENTARY NOTES MOSCOW'S AID AND SUPPORT FOR PYONGYANG, DENOUNCES THE PARK REGIZME FOR ALLEGED REPRESSION AND ANTICOMMUNIST HYSTERIA AND PRAISES NORTH KOREAN INITIATIVES ON SETTLING THE KOREAN QUESTION.
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